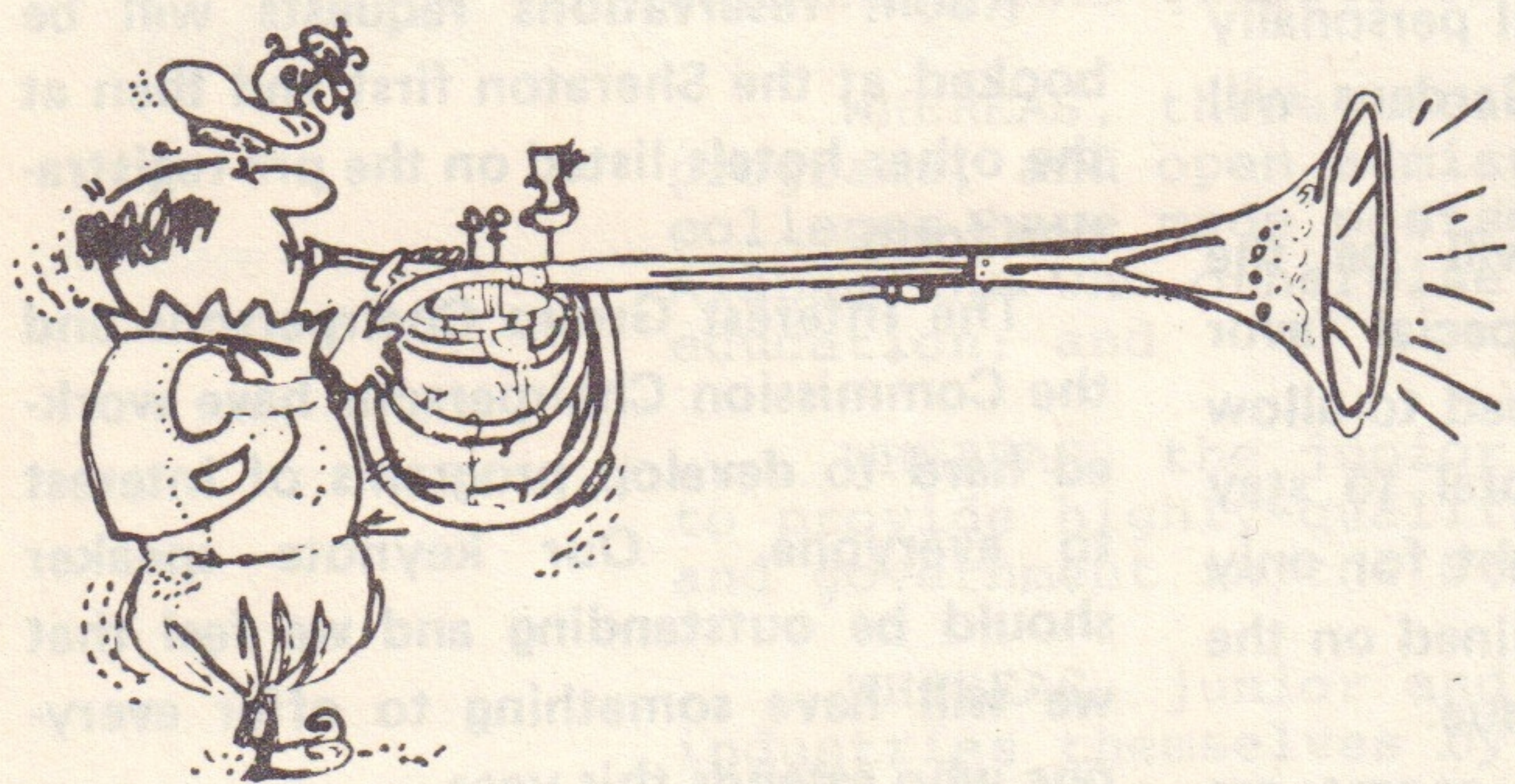




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REGISTRATION AND PROGRAM MATERIAL INSIDE

Shelton Instructors Review Equipment Program

Two science instructors, Margie Mantel Moore and Charles Sankey Sherer, were recently selected by the National Science Foundation to assist in the review and evaluation of grant proposals submitted to the Instructional Scientific Equipment Program (ISEP). ISEP provides matching support for the purchase of scientific equipment needed to implement well-planned new or improved courses in undergraduate science education.

Mrs. Moore, a professor of biological science at Shelton State Junior College, holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Auburn University and a Master of Science from the University of Michigan.

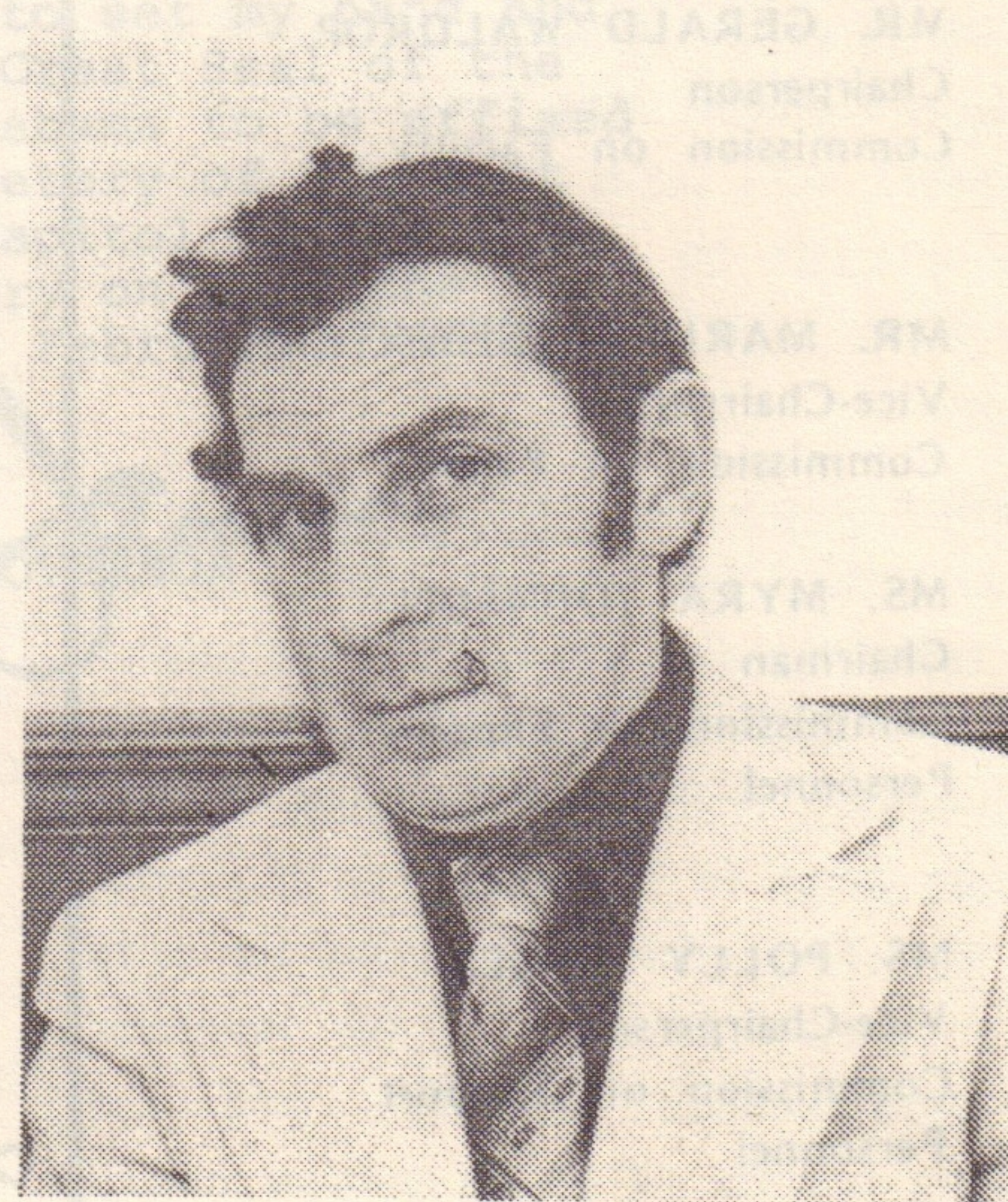
Dr. Sherer, professor of Chemistry at Shelton State Junior College, received his Ph.D. from the University of Ala-

bama, his Master of Science degree from the University of Southern Mississippi,

and his undergraduate degree from the University of North Alabama.



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How I See It

Convention Plans Underway

BY JIM PRITCHETT
AJCCA President

Convention time is rapidly approach-
ing. Don't forget April 16-17 in Mobile,
AL. The Mobile Chamber of Commerce
has assured me that it will be a beautiful
spring day and that they will personally
see to it that Bellingrath Gardens will
be in full bloom.

The convention hotel will be the
Mobile Sheraton and as a special favor
to the AJCCA they have agreed to allow
anyone registered at the hotel to stay
over Friday or Saturday night for only
\$30 per night. This is explained on the
pre-registration form in this issue.

All pre-registration hotel rooms are
being handled through the Mobile Cham-
ber of Commerce. The hotel is not
accepting reservations for April 16. This
is also explained on the enclosed pre-
registration form. Pre-registration will

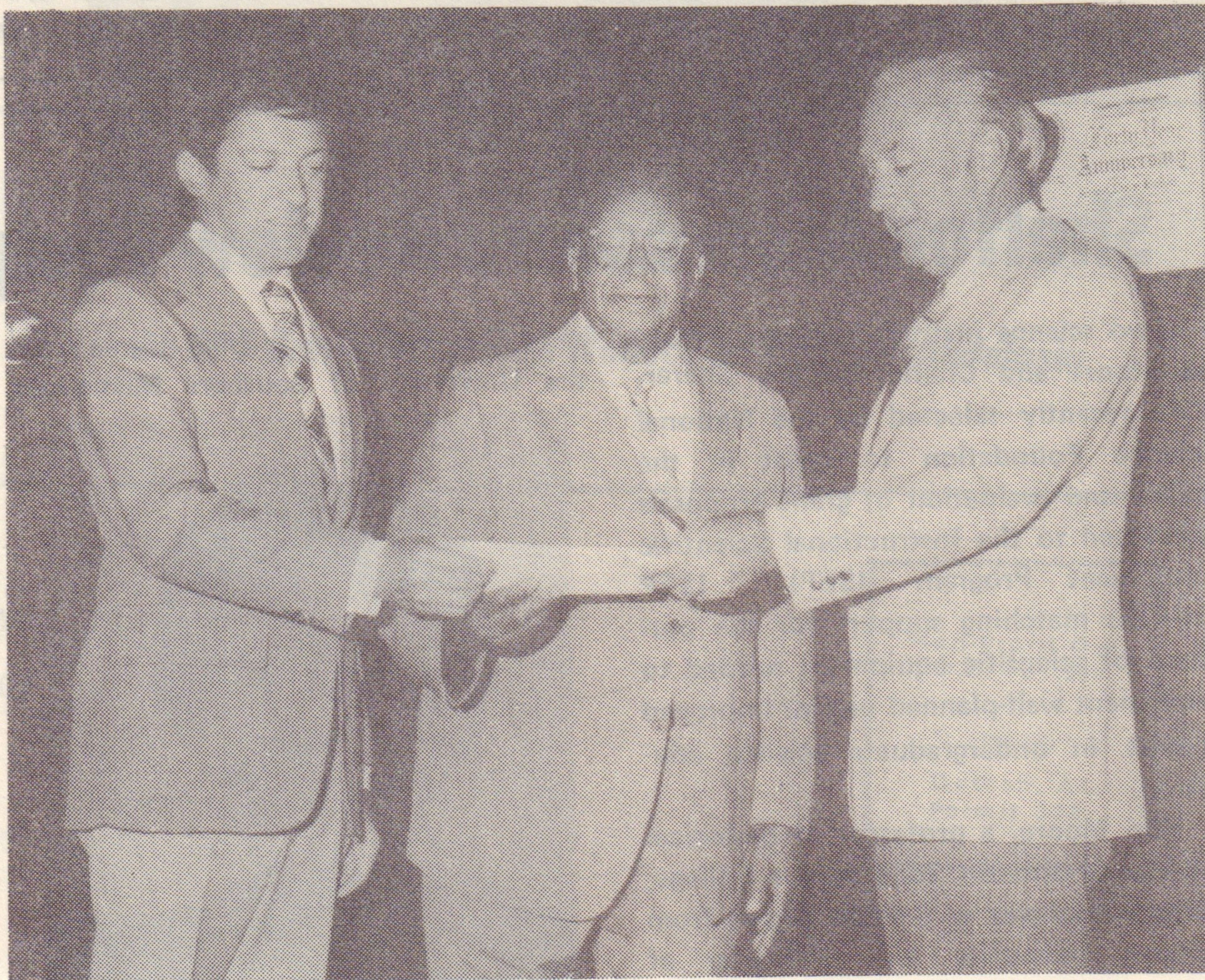
be closed on April 3 so please get your
information in as soon as possible so
that we can make all the appropriate
arrangements.

Room reservations requests will be
booked at the Sheraton first and then at
the other hotels listed on the pre-registra-
tion form.

The Interest Group Chairpersons and
the Commission Chairpersons have work-
ed hard to develop programs of interest
to everyone. Our keynote speaker
should be outstanding and we feel that
we will have something to offer every-
one who attends this year.

Oh yes, if you like fresh seafood, the
banquet should really appeal to you this
year. We will have a fresh seafood
buffet.

Hope to see you in Mobile.



School Receives Grant--Bishop State
College President, Dr. S.D. Bishop (cen-
ter) received a \$2,000 grant check from
the Shell Companies Foundation, Inc.

The award was presented by Jim Robson
(left) Manager of the Mobile Plant,
Shell Chemical Company. F.P. McGrath
participated.

STATE OF ALABAMA

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the junior and community colleges of Alabama have effectively and efficiently served the State by providing transfer, liberal arts, occupational, and special interest educational programs for its citizens thereby enriching the quality of life in the State; and

WHEREAS, through easy accessibility, low cost, quality programs, and open admissions, Alabama's junior and community colleges have made postsecondary education possible for many Alabamians who otherwise could not have benefited from higher education; and

WHEREAS, the junior and community colleges have helped to provide highly-qualified employees for business, industry and government in the State; and

WHEREAS, junior and community colleges constitute major industries themselves by providing jobs for thousands of people, boosting the economies of their communities, and acquiring millions of dollars each year in federal and private funds; and

WHEREAS, strong public support for the State's junior and community colleges is reflected in the fact that more than 36,000 Alabamians are currently enrolled in these colleges:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fob James, Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby proclaim the week of April 13, 1981, as

JUNIOR AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WEEK

in Alabama.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on this the 17th day of February, 1981.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Don Riegelman
SECRETARY OF STATE

From The Capitol: Bad News

Three members of the Alabama legislature painted a somewhat bleak picture of the educational budget to members of the Wallace Education Association, Wallace Community College, Dothan recently.

'I bring you bad news,' Rep. James Sasser of Ozark said, 'With high unemployment, double digit inflation and the interest rates now, we have real problems.'

Sasser predicted proportion could be as high as ten percent this year due to a drop in the predicted funds in the Special Education Trust Fund. He explained that education funds are derived mainly from income and sales taxes--two areas of taxation which traditionally drop during times of economic stress.

Rep. George Grimsley, Henry County, and Sen. Chip Bailey, Dothan, echoed Sasser's sentiments while expressing optimism for the future.

Grimsley said he felt proration would be ending this year, saying the House would be 'very careful' in budgeting a 'cushion' for the future.

Who will operate the Junior and Community Colleges is another problem expected to be discussed by the Legislature. Whether it's the State Board, ACHE, or a new agency, Bailey said 'He doesn't expect a decision on the matter this year.'

Representative Sasser, who is Dean of Instruction at the Alabama Aviation and Technical College, says he feels that the Legislature will fund the two-year programs enough to do a good job, but warns that, 'you many have to cut some programs.'

Sasser explained that income taxes are earmarked for teacher salaries alone. Sales taxes are also earmarked for education, in addition to other revenues. The problem with unearmarking, as was the case prior to the advent of the practice, was that education ended up with the 'proverbial bone.' If tax revenues are unearmarked, Grimsley said the lobbying efforts of amny groups would



Rep. James Sasser

put pressure on-possibly causing the same problem again.

'With earmarking, sometimes you can't pay your bills though you have money in the state,' Sasser said, explaining that the state always had at least \$400 million, while the trust funds may not have received earmarked revenues at bill paying time.

The three also discussed the retirement system with Sassar predicting that a new system will have to be advised or the state will 'go broke' with the present system.

'Presently employed teachers will be protected,' Sasser said. 'but the system of the future will have higher contributions by the employee, lower state contributions and lesser benefits.'

The proposal to make the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Lt. Governor members of the State Board of Education drew fire from the Southeast Alabama law makers. Grimsley said he voted against the measure previously and would do it again. Sasser agreed.

Two-year schools, with about 50 percent of the students enrolled in post-

secondary education, have some big challenges ahead. Employees, alumni and friends of junior and community colleges should write, call and make contacts both in their communities and in Montgomery-stressing the important role of the two-year institutions in the State of Alabama.

Beck Honored

Dr. Marilyn Beck, dean of academic affairs at Lurleen B. Wallace State Junior College, was elected vice-president/president-elect of the Southern Association of Community and Junior Colleges at the December meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in New Orleans. Dr. Beck's responsibilities include editor of the SACJC Newsletter and program chairman for the annual meeting to be held in Atlanta in December of this year. Other officers of SACJC are Dr. Raymond Stone, president of Sandhills Community College in North Carolina, president, and Dr. James A. Davis, dean of Ferrum College in Virginia, secretary-treasurer.



Dr. Beck

Lurleen Actors To Present

'I'm Herbert'

'I'm Herbert' is a one-act play from a quartet of one-acts produced on Broadway in 1967 under the title You Know I Can't Hear You When the Water's Running by Robert Anderson.

'Herbert' is a hilarious (and sentimental) episode in the lives of two elderly people, Muriel and Herbert. They confuse their own names as well as the names of their previous spouses (in very funny dialogue).

Terry Coggins (Herbert) and Ona Finch (Muriel) look forward to performing this one-act play at the convention.



Koltai Keynotes '81 Convention

Dr. Koltai earned a B. A. degree from the University of Budapest, where he later served as an assistant professor before leaving his native Hungary during the 1956 revolution. After coming to the United States he earned an M. A. degree and an Ed. D. degree from UCLA.

In 1968 Dr. Koltai was named president of Metropolitan Junior College, Kansas City, MO. A year later he became

chancellor of the Kansas City district a title he held until joining the LACCD.

As chancellor of the Los Angeles Community Colleges, Dr. Leslie Koltai is directing the world's largest two-year college system.

Since assuming his current position in December, 1972, Dr. Koltai has stressed innovative educational programs, combined with fiscal and administrative controls.

Commission On Faculty Hears Stress Expert

Register Now:

Convention '81

Dr. Anthony C. Riccio, Professor of Education at the The Ohio State University is a nationally renowned speaker of the subject of Stress Management. Having graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor's degree from Providence

College, a Master's degree from the University of Notre Dame and a Ph.D. from The Ohio State University, Dr. Riccio comes very highly qualified to instruct in this area.

Lurleen Begins Potentials Seminar

By Marilyn C. Beck, Lurleen Wallace Jr. College, Andalusia

Through 'open doors,' community colleges are recruiting and admitting a large number of 'high risk' students. Such students are deficient not only in academic and study skills, but also in positive self-concepts and adequate clarification of life goals. Although developmental (remedial) programs are commonplace, withdrawal, drop-out, and stop-out rates continue to be high, perhaps because 'academicians' are untrained in remedying the deficiencies most detrimental to the success of the high-risk student: poor self-concept and inadequate clarification of life goals. As declining enrollments and a dwindling reservoir of new students become realities, however, colleges are becoming more concerned than ever about retention as a means of maintaining or possibly even increasing enrollment. Thus, administrators and faculty members are searching for various strategies for decreasing dropout rates.

The Human Potential Seminar (HPS), which has become a part of freshman orientation, has proven to be a successful retention strategy at Lurleen B. Wallace State Junior College.

In the fall of 1976, during the faculty inservice program, 57 administrators, faculty, and other staff members participated in a Human Potential Seminar (HPS) led by personnel of the National Center for Human Potential Seminars. The Human Potential Seminar is a positive approach to self development that assists persons in achieving the following objectives: 'becoming more self-motivating, self-confident, and empathetic towards others.' Human Potential Seminars, structured small group experiences, are based on the assumptions that something is right and good about each person to do almost anything his mental attitude will permit. Human Potential Seminars adhere to the philos-



ophy of Maslow: 'What a person can be, he ought to be!'

As a result of the support and enthusiasm HPS generated during the faculty inservice program, 15 faculty members volunteered to lead HPS groups for entering freshman in the fall 1976. HPS scheduled as a two-credit hour course, replacing the traditional freshman orientation course that included such topics as 'Study Skills,' 'Library Usage,' and 'Know Your College Administration and Student Government Association.' The classes consisted of 10-12 students with a faculty leader and met 85 minutes, two days a week.

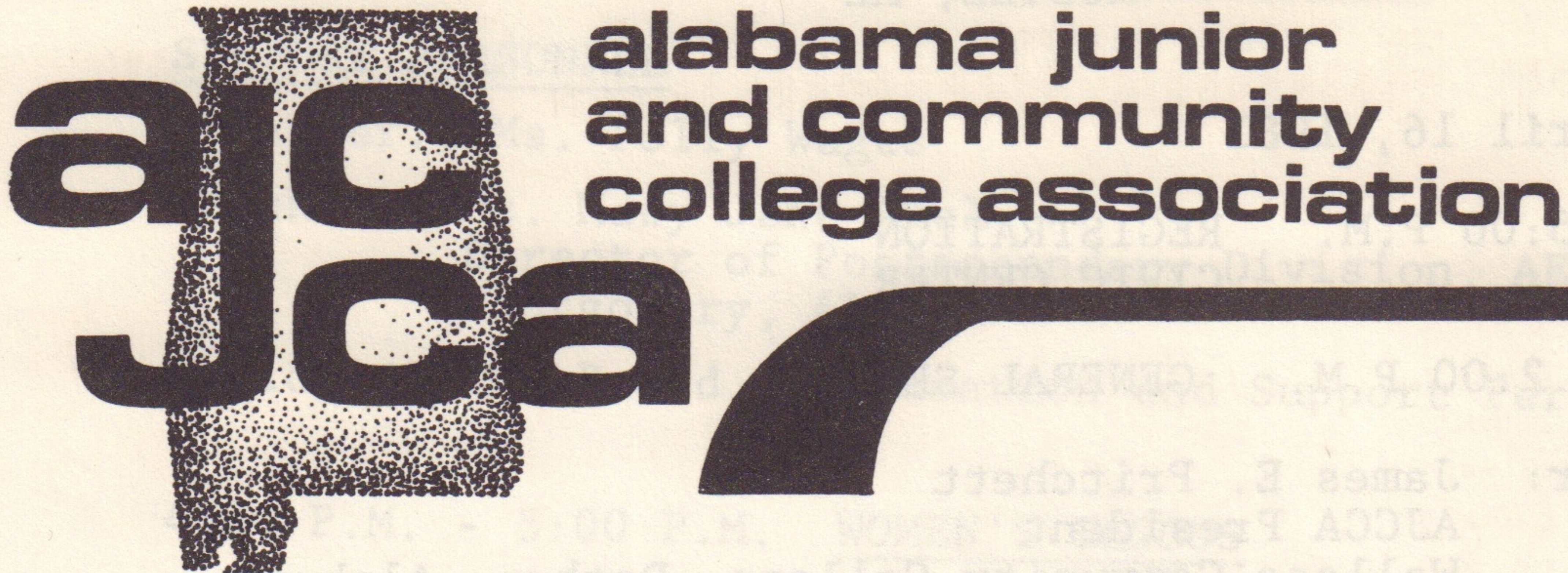
In an attempt to evaluate the effectiveness of the program, a study was conducted of 265 entering freshman who enrolled in ten or more quarter hours that fall quarter. Two groups of students were examined. Group 1, referred to as the No-HPS Group, was composed of 116 students who did not

enroll in HPS fall quarter. Group 2, the HPS Group, consisted of 149 entering freshmen enrolled in the two-hour Human Potential Seminar Course. The standardized English placement test scores were analyzed, and it was determined that the achievement levels of the two groups were not significantly different at the .05 level. The study showed that the HPS Group took significantly (.001 level) more hours than the No-HPS Group both fall and winter quarters, 1976-77; that the HPS Group completed significantly more in the fall (.001 level) and winter (.10 level) quarters than did the No-HPS group; and that there was no significant difference in the grade point averages of the two groups fall or winter quarters. Probably the most significant and useful finding was that the dropout rate of the HPS group was ten percent after fall quarter, whereas the dropout rate of the No-HPS Group was 19 percent. Of 125 HPS students (Group 2) responding to a questionnaire, 114 students felt that HPS was helpful in increasing their self-motivation, confidence, and awareness.

Although pleased with the study's result and the apparent positive effect on retention efforts, the faculty and administration analyzed the first trial and decided that HPS might be even more effective if students completed the major part of the process during freshman orientation prior to the beginning of classes, with two follow-up-sessions scheduled during the quarter. A schedule was designed for a four-day freshman orientation program that included HPS, along with the necessary placement testing, faculty advising, and social activities.

A second study involving 1978-79 entering freshmen under the revised plan showed similar results, with the

continued back cover



WHEREAS, the Alabama Special Education Trust Fund has been prorated for the third consecutive year; and,

WHEREAS, Alabama State Junior and Community Colleges are faced with the prospect of receiving no increase in funding for 1981-82; and,

WHEREAS, the current rate of inflation shows no sign of abating.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this board affirms its intent to oppose in any manner the unearmarking of any special education taxes or the diversion of any said taxes for any use other than for education.

Executive Board
AJCCA

AJCCA CONVENTION

MOBILE, AL

THURSDAY, April 16, 1981

8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. REGISTRATION
CIVIC CENTER

12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. GENERAL SESSION

Presider: James E. Pritchett
AJCCA President
Wallace Community College, Dothan, Alabama

Speaker: Dr. Koltai
Chancellor of Los Angeles Community Colleges

Topic: The Community College in the "80's"

2:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M. BREAK

2:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. COMMISSION SESSIONS

ADMINISTRATION

Presider: Dr. Lynn Headrick

Speaker: Mr. Larry Tyree
President, Gulf Coast Community College
Panama City, FL

Topic: Anticipation Enrollment Trends in the "80's"

FACULTY

Presider: Mr. Gerald Waldrop

Speaker: Dr. Anthony Riccio
Professor of Education
Ohio State University

Topic: Stress Management

STUDENTS

Presider: Mr. Jim Blackburn

Speaker: Mr. Columbus Posey
Assistant Dean Academic Services
Jefferson State

Topic: Articulation

THURSDAY, April 16, 1981

2:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. COMMISSION SESSIONS

SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Presider: Ms. Polly Wages

Speaker: Ms. Mary Jane Akel
Director of Postsecondary Division, AEA
Montgomery, AL

Topic: State Board of Education and Support Personnel

4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. WOMEN'S CAUCUS

Presider: Ms. Ann Biggs

Speaker: Dr. Lynn Robinson
Professor of Marketing
University of South Alabama

Topic: "Putting Yourself on Paper"

4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. MINORITY CAUCUS

Presiders: Joan Bolden; Calhoun Community College
Dr. Jorge Kuzmivic; Calhoun Community College
Mrs. Eloise Elliot

Topic: Kinetic Resources of Minorities, The need to develop in
Alabama Public Community Colleges

7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. BANQUET

9:30 P.M. - 12:00 P.M. DANCE

FRIDAY, April 17, 1981

8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Presider: James E. Pritchett

Election of Officers

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M. INTEREST GROUP SESSIONS

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Presider: Dr. Nathan L. Hodges

Speaker: Dr. John C. Walden

Topic: "We must indeed, all hang together, or most assuredly
we shall all hang seperately."

Ben Franklin

FRIDAY, April 17, 1981

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M. INTEREST GROUP SESSIONS

ACADEMIC OFFICERS

Presider: Dr. Marilyn Beck

Speaker: Dr. Hubert E. Phillips
President, Lake City Community College
Lake City, FL

Topic: Innovation: "What It Is and How To Get It"

FINANCIAL OFFICERS

Presider: Mr. Alton Hester

Speaker: Mr. Don E. Lawlee
Legal Counsel for the State Examiners of Public
Accountants

Topic: Update on Complete State Bid Law

DEAN OF STUDENTS

Presider: Mr. Tommy Johnson

Speaker: Dr. Paul Hubbard
Executive Director, Alabama Education Association

Topic: The AEA's Role Relating to Structural Changes in the
State Junior and Community College System

DIRECTORS OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH

Presider: Dr. Lori Conrad

Speaker: Dr. Louis Bender
College of Education, Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL

Topic: Consortium of Developing Institutions for Staff Development

DIRECTORS OF PHYSICAL PLANTS

Presider: Mr. Thelon Fowler

Speaker: Mr. Jim Hatfield
Vice-President - Dixie Divisions
United Laboratories, Inc

Topic: Cost Analyzing of Purchasing

DIRECTORS OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Presider: Dr. Paul Blackwell

Speaker: Dr. James A. Thompson
Director, Prison College Program
Alexander City Junior College

Topic: College Program for College Inmates

FRIDAY, April 17, 1981

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M. INTEREST GROUP SESSIONS

MUSIC

Presider: Mr. Jim Walker

Panelists: Dr. Richard Armstrong, Jacksonville State University
Dr. Ted Pritchett, Montevallo University
Dr. Claude Rhea, Samford University
Dr. Robert Wermuth, University of South Alabama

Topics: Junior College transfer students: Plus or minus
Junior College curriculum and the new Music Education requirements

MATHEMATICS

Presider: Ms. Robbyn Gourdonze

Speaker: Dr. Howard B. Wilson, Jr.
Professor of Engineering Mechanics
University of Alabama

Topic: Microcomputer Applications in Applied Mathematics

SCIENCE

Presider: Mr. Lee Albritton

Speaker: Professor George Toffel, (Retired)
Department of Chemistry
University of Alabama

Topic: Science Demonstrations for the Classroom

LEARNING RESOURCES

Presider: Mr. Robert Parker

Topic: "Alabama Junior College Libraries in Action"

HEALTH CAREERS

Presider: Mrs. Cindajo Overton

Speaker: Dr. Rosemary Adams
Mobile College

Topic: Credentialing of Health Care Principles

HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, AND RECREATION

Presider: Ms. Louise Thrower

Speaker: Dr. Jack Joseph
Vice-President for Academic Affairs
United States Sports Academy

Topic: Physical Education: Relaxation to Marathon Running

Friday, April 17, 1981

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M. INTEREST GROUP SESSIONS

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICERS

Presider: Ms. Dorothy Bivens

Speaker: Jesse B. King, Consultant
Public and Community Relations - Mobile, AL
Public Relations Manager - South Central Bell (Retired)

Topic: "How Industry Can Benefit From the Junior College and
How the Junior College Can Benefit From Industry"

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Presider: Dr. Paul Reuter

Speaker: Dr. William D. Barnard
Chairman, History Department
The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

Topic: "The Coming Decades - Opportunities and Challenges"

ENGLISH

Presider: Dr. Joyce V. Jolly

Speakers: Dr. Gary A. Olson
Director of Writing Center
University of Alabama
Mr. Alexander Friedlander
Instructor, English Department
University of Alabama

Topics: "Establishing and Maintaining a Writing Center in the
Junior or Community College - Olsen"

"Incorporating English as a Second Language into the
Writing Center - Friedlander"

SPEECH

Presider: Ms. Carol Bullock

Speaker: Mr. Ricky Gordon
Calhoun State Junior College

Topic: "Co-ordinating Your Speech Program With Junior Colleges
Forensics"

READING

Presider: Ms. Jerre Lu Mason

Speaker: Dr. David Brown
Director Belser-Pardon Reading Center
University of Alabama

Topic: Implementing Reading in College

FRIDAY, April 17, 1981

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M. INTEREST GROUPS SESSIONS

BUSINESS

Presider: Ms. Zella Jackson

Panelists: Dr. Roy Daigle
Computer Science, Bishop State
Ms. Nina Carpenter
Secretarial Science, Enterprise State
Ms. Dorothy Fletcher
Accounting, Bishop State
Mr. Kenneth Herlong
Business Department, Gadsden State
Dr. Jim Grant
Marketing Department, University of South Alabama

Topic: Innovations and Strategies for Teaching Business
Subjects in the '80's"

SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Presider: Ms. Polly Wages

Speaker: Ms. Mary Jane Akel
Director of Postsecondary Division
Alabama Education Association
Montgomery, AL

Topic: State Board of Education and Support Personnel

NURSES

Presider: Ms. Countess Poole

Speaker: Dr. Hilda Reynolds, Chairman
Division of Nursing
Mobile College

Topic: "Legal Aspects of Student Health Services--Practices
and Procedures"

SECRETARIES

Presider: Ms. Cora Dunham

Speaker: Dr. James J. Thompson, Chairman
Department of Educational Media
University of South Alabama

Topic: "How to Think and Act Positively in a Negative Situation"

CLERKS

Presider: Betty Willingham

Speaker: Gail Smith
Crawford Interiors

FRIDAY, April 17, 1981

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M. INTEREST GROUP SESSIONS

MAINTENANCE

Presider: Mr. Ed Robinson

Speaker: Mr. Percy Johnson
Diversified Products, Inc.

Topic: "Certifying Building Maintenance Services Through
Education Today; To Meet the Growing Environmental
Needs of Tomorrow"

COUNSELORS

Presider: Mr. Dale Hill

Speaker: Ms. Maggie Culp
Coordinator of Counseling, Student Development Office
Seminole Community College - Sanford, FL

Topic: Innovative Counseling Programs for the "80's"

FINANCIAL AIDS OFFICERS/COMMISSION ON STUDENTS

Presider: Ms. Sandra Hamby

Speaker: Mr. Bill Rogers
Director of Financial Aids
University of South Alabama

DIRECTORS/COORDINATORS OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Presider: Mr. Billy Nolen

Speakers: Mr. E. C. Stephens
Mr. Claude McGowan

Topics: New Veterans Affair Benefits
New GI Bill

CETA Benefits From Bishop Program

S. D. Bishop State Junior College operates a General Educational Development (G.E.D.) Program under a sub-contract with the Mobile Consortium, the local prime sponsor of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. The G.E.D. Program is designed to prepare participants to successfully take the G.E.D. examination and receive the G.E.D. certificate. The goal of the sub-contract is to enable the participants to locate suitable unsubsidized employment or obtain additional training which will afford the participant unsubsidized employment.

S.D. Bishop State's G.E.D. program has been in operation since November 19, 1979. The enrollment level for the class is 40 participants. The program has served 188 students since November 19, 1979. Of the 188 students, 117 received positive terminations, 40 students are presently active, and the 31 students not receiving their G.E.D. were referred to the Employment Service to seek assistance in obtaining employment.

The program has served Blacks, Whites, Asians, handicapped, and veterans. Approximately 50 students transferred

to other training programs under CETA after completing their G.E.D. training. Some students used the Basic Educational Opportunities Grant to enter training at Southwest State and Carver State that was not offered under CETA. Many students entered S.D. Bishop State Junior College after completing the G.E.D. program.

The program is operated under the supervision of Celious Barner, Liason; Mrs. Catherine Perine, Counselor; James Simon, Reading Instructor; Ms. Cynthia Miles, Math Instructor; and Ms. Lucy Lee, English Instructor.



Exemplary Program

Rodney K. Spain, Program Associate, National Center for Research in Vocational Education, is pictured with Enterprise State Junior College staff members who developed the Displaced Homemaker Program. Staff members include (left

to right): Shirley Woodie, Director of Federal Programs; Linda Wilson, Director of Career Development Center and Job Placement; and Mary Bauer, Director of the Women's Center.

ESJC Women's Program Honored Again

The Enterprise State Junior College Displaced Homemaker Program has been selected as one of 40 exemplary sex fair vocational education programs by the Far West Laboratory for Educational Research and Development in association with The National Center for Research in Vocational Education and the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges. These three organizations are working cooperatively to develop a support service system for sex equity services in vocational education.

ESJC's program was nominated by Ann Turnham Smith, Sex Bias/Stereotyping Coordinator for Vocational Education, Alabama State Department of Education. The nomination was based on Enterprise State Junior College's services during the past two years to displaced homemakers. These services have included five special career training

programs and the establishment of a Displaced Homemaker Resource Center. More than 150 women have enrolled in programs providing individual and group counseling, education and skills training, and job placement. The Resource Center contains information on the government agencies, educational institutions, civic groups, community agencies, churches, and other organizations offering help to displaced homemakers in each community in Alabama as well as special materials that describe and offer practical solutions for the wide range of problems displaced homemakers face.

A description of the College's Displaced Homemaker Program will be included in a national directory featuring exemplary projects throughout the United States. To collect information for the directory, Rodney K. Spain, Program

Associate, The National Center for Research in Vocational Education, visited Enterprise State Junior College on December 10, 1980. During his visit, Mr. Spain interviewed several program participants and the project staff, Mary Bauer, Director of the Women's Center; Doris Hawkins, Counselor; Linda Wilson, Director of the Career Development Center; and Shirley Woodie, Director of Federal Programs.

This selection is the second national recognition for Enterprise State Junior College during the current school year. In October, the Enterprise State Junior College Women's Program was selected by the National Commission on Working Women as one of the ten exemplary educational programs for working women in the nation.

Community Colleges and The HPS Group

continued

ing significantly more credit hours than the No-HPS Group. Under the new plan, one major difference in results was that the HPS Group made significantly higher grade point averages (at the .001 level) in the fall quarter. There was no significant difference in grade point averages in winter quarter. The drop-out rate for the HPS Group after fall quarter was eight percent, whereas the drop-out rate of the No-HPS Group was 17 percent. Subsequent follow-ups after winter quarter showed that the withdrawal rate of the HPS Group was 15 percent, whereas the withdrawal rate of the No-HPS Group was 29 percent. Of 126 students responding to a questionnaire, 125 students said the program was helpful.

Both studies showed a nine percent difference in the drop-out rates of the HPS and No-HPS groups after fall quarter. The second study showed a 14 per cent difference between the HPS and No-HPS groups after winter quarter. On an evaluation questionnaire, 99 percent of the students responded that they felt HPS was helpful, an almost

incredibly positive response. Any strategy that can reduce the college drop out rate by nine percent must be considered successful. According to retention researchers, "a three to five percent increase in retention can provide a measurable return to both the student and the college in a short period of time."

These studies indicate that non-cognitive or affective factors significantly contribute to student retention. Perhaps many differences in student achievement can be accounted for in terms of affective factors such as self-concept,

motivation, and empathetic regard for others. Thus, there is a need for re-assessment of many of our approaches in education that are negative and deficiency-oriented accentuating with red ink what is wrong, what students' problems are, what students can't do. Community colleges genuinely committed to the success of students and to increased retention should consider offering programs that provide entering students with a positive approach to self-development.



HPS Group At Lurleen Wallace Jr. College, Andalusia

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| ☐ 05 Director of Community Services | ☐ 14 Foreign Language | |
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and Institutional Research | ☐ 15 Health Career | |
| ☐ 07 Directors of Physical Plants | ☐ 16 Health, Physical Education,
and Welfare | |
| ☐ 08 Executive Offices | ☐ 17 Learning Resources | 4-Supportive Personnel |
| ☐ 09 Financial Officers | ☐ 18 Mathematics | ☐ 28 Secretaries, Clerks,
Computer Operators,
Nurses, and Service
Maintenance(Circle One) |
| | ☐ 19 Music | |
| | ☐ 20 Reading | 5-Retired Personnel |
| | ☐ 21 Science | ☐ 29 Retired |
| | ☐ 22 Social Science | |
| | ☐ 23 Speech | |

I fully understand that this form is not my hotel reservation, but is for AJCCA Convention registration and banquet reservations only. I have included a check in the amount of \$20 to cover the costs. Registration is not complete unless you enclose the correct amount of money!!

Make check payable to AJCCA:

SIGNED _____

RETURN TO: Gene Brannon, Wallace State Community College, Dothan, AL 36303

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: April 3, 1981

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Received: _____ Receipt No. _____

Room Reservation Request
ALABAMA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
April 16 - 18, 1981

Mr. _____
Mrs. _____
Miss _____
PLEASE PRINT

Number of Persons
Per Room _____

STREET _____

CITY, STATE _____ ZIP _____

AM _____

Arrival Date: _____ Hour _____ PM. Departure Date: _____
Please circle type of accommodation desired. Indicate
1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice of hotel.

		2 PERSONS	TWIN DOUBLE
		1 DBL. BED	2 PERSONS 2 BEDS
HEADQUARTERS *	SINGLE		
Sheraton Inn*	\$35.00	\$44.00	\$44.00
Admiral Semmes	27.00	34.00	36.00
Holiday Inn DT	28.00	32.00	35.00
Travelodge	24.00	28.00	32.00
Malaga Inn	36.00		42.00

ALL RATES SUBJECT TO 7% TAX. Hotel will confirm directly to delegates. ANY CHANGES must be made directly with Hotel upon receipt of confirmation. *Sheraton will offer a flat \$30.00 "stay over" rate for Friday or Saturday night.

*****ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE SENT BY MAIL*****
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